

## Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of December 28, 2025

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

### When the New Year Isn't

(Acts 24)

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## Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud Acts 24.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Howard's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

As we approach the new year, do you find yourself more excited for the future of more fatigued/discouraged by the present?

For the inevitable times in life when we feel more stuck than in-motion, Pastor Howard shares four ways he sees Paul navigating an incredibly challenging season of life.

First, Paul hung onto God's promise of joy. (James 1:2-4)

When have you been able to find joy during a challenging season?

How was/is this possible?

How could perseverance actually enhance an experience of joy?

Who has inspired you by their ability to experience joy during hardship?

How, if at all, did watching their journey impact you?

Second, Paul hung onto the Spirit-empowered life. (Galatians 5:22)

When, if ever, have you heard more clearly from the Spirit during a hard season?

What type of intentionality, if any, did this take to be receptive to God's voice?

If you long to hear more clearly from God today, what steps could you take?

Third, Paul hung onto the power of truth. (2 Corinthians 4:2)

When has leaning into God's truth helped you navigate hard times?

What did it look like to lean into God's truth?

If you are struggling in your current season of life, what truths do you need to lean into today? And steps can help you in this pursuit?

Fourth, Paul hung onto the reality that God's grace is enough, not when we think we're strong, but when we know we are weak. (2 Corinthians 12:9-10, John 15:5)

In what ways can you relate to Paul's circumstance of feeling weak?

When, if ever, has letting your guard down and acknowledging your weakness allowed you to access a greater dose of God's strength?

If anything in your upbringing has made it hard for you to acknowledge your own limitations, share a bit about this.

If you are feeling called to bring your current shortcomings to Jesus, what could this look like?

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend's message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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